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FOR BONN:

1. PLEASE APPROACH FOREIGN OFFICE AT LEVEL HIGHER THAN HAUBER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO COMMUNICATE FOLLOWING:

A) AS WE EXPLAINED TO FRG EMBASSY MARCH 4 US WOULD NOT BE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN POLADS CW DISCUSSION PROPOSED BY FRG. HOWEVER, IF GERMANS WISH TO GO AHEAD WITH MARCH 25 POLADS DISCUSSION US WOULD RAISE NO OBJECTION. (FYI. WE WOULD, OF COURSE, SEND INSTRUCTIONS FOR MEETING, ALTHOUGH THESE WOULD BE QUITE GENERAL. END FYI.)

B) WHILE WE WOULD NOT OPPOSE FRG PROPOSAL IN POLITICAL COMMITTEE, WE BELIEVE IT WOULD BE PREMATURE TO DISCUSS CW ISSUES IN BROAD NATO FORUM AT THIS TIME WHEN US

POLICY STUDY HAS NOT YET BEEN COMPLETED. INSTEAD WE WOULD STRONGLY PREFER TO REMAIN WITH OUR PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR TWO DAYS OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS IN BONN ON MARCH 24 AND 25, WHICH WOULD ALLOW MORE FULL AND FRANK DISCUSSION OF ISSUES AND OPTIONS.

C) PROPOSED BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS WOULD ALLOW FRG VIEWS, WHICH WILL BE IMPORTANT IN OUR OWN DECISION-MAKING PROCESS, TO BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN A TIMELY FASHION.

2. FOR USNATO: AT YOUR DISCRETION YOU MAY COMMUNICATE POINTS A-C ABOVE INFORMALLY TO FRG DEL.

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FYI. IN ACCORDANCE WITH RECOMMENDATION REFTTEL E, PARA 3(C), WE ARE PREPARING VERY BRIEF, GENERAL NOTE FOR CIRCULATION TO PERMREPS. END FYI.

3. FOR PARIS AND BONN: FYI. ALTHOUGH WE WOULD BE EXTREMELY RELUCTANT TO DO SO, WE COULD JUGGLE SCHEDULE IF ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY SO THAT VISIT TO BONN WOULD TAKE PLACE ON MARCH 23 (WEDNESDAY) AND 24 (THURSDAY) WITH VISIT TO PARIS POSTPONED UNTIL MARCH 25 (FRIDAY). WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY EMBASSY COMMENTS. HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD NOT BROACH THIS WITH HOST GOVERNMENTS UNLESS SPECIFICALLY AUTHORIZED. END FYI.

4. FOR GENEVA: WE DO NOT EXPECT TO HAVE THIRD ROUND OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS PRIOR TO END OF SPRING CCD SESSION.
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